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## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to and including January 13, 2003, to respond to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2002.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

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any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1073, under Order No. K0600.0208/P208.

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